

**WINNER 2020 / NORTHERN**



# PAUL THOMPSON

TOLENT

**Established in 1983, Tolent has grown into one of the North East's biggest construction companies, with regional bases all over the country.**

**Parkway, Newcastle:** Assisted living development consisting of affordable-rent 56 one- and two-bed apartments and five two-bed bungalows, with solar panels and car charging points, together with cafe and staff facilities.

### What does winning Site Manager of the Year mean to you and your team?

"I was thrilled to have been nominated but winning the award has been a great achievement for myself. This really could not have been done without the support of Tolent, the operatives and Gary Turney, the LABC surveyor."

### What was the biggest challenge on your site and how did you overcome it?

"The scheme was a very challenging site with multiple areas needing to be completed all at the same time. Although the scheme was a traditional build, there were some complex details that needed a lot of consideration and attention to detail to ensure that not only the appearance was right but that the build complied

with all the requirements of building control, LABC Warranty and the client's requirements. A lot of discussion was held around some of these details with Gary Turney and John Flaherty (LABC Warranty Regional Manager) to ensure it was compliant and was right for all. I really appreciated the support from the LABC surveyors to assist in these details."

### What aspect of the site and work are you most proud about?

"I am extremely proud of the finished scheme as a whole, however there are always things that could be improved upon which I will take forward onto future schemes. The quality of the housing and communal spaces that the scheme has brought to the local community is fantastic and provides new and existing residents the opportunity to socialise and build on their new relationships."

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